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The Honorable Cynthia T. Brown  
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**REQUEST TO EXTEND CONSUMMATION DUE DATE**

**Re: Proposed Abandonment of the Coeur d'Alene Industrial Lead from Milepost 7.5 near Gibbs to the end of the Line at Milepost 8.79 near Coeur'd Alene, a distance of 1.29 miles, in Kootenai County, Idaho; STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 272X)**

Dear Ms. Brown:

This is to advise that in accordance with 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), as of May 4, 2010, the Union Pacific Railroad Company, ("UP") with regard to the subject Abandonment Exemption, is not in a position to consummate the abandonment of the Coeur'd Alene Industrial Lead from Milepost 7.5 to Milepost 8.79, a distance of 1.29 miles, in Kootenai County, Idaho, pursuant to authority granted in the Surface Transportation Board's ("Board's") Decision served May 4, 2009. This matter was reopened by late release decision served June 12, 2009 under which the Board removed the Section 106 historic preservation condition. However, a substantial condition requiring reporting of results of consultations with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality to the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) still remains to be satisfied.

The City of Coeur'd Alene desires to acquire a portion of the Line for its municipal Waste Water Treatment Plant.

UP respectfully requests an extension of time to file a Notice of Consummation in this matter for 180-days to **October 31, 2010**. Prior to commencement of any salvage activities, UP must consult with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality to ensure that any concerns regarding potential contamination of the right-of-way are addressed and report the results of the consultations in writing to the SEA prior to salvage operations. In addition, in that portions of the Line may not be owned in fee by UP, UP desires to salvage all track material prior to consummation of the abandonment to prevent claims by adjacent landowners to salvaged track material.

Sincerely yours,

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